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TO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE PRIORITY

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FOR AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE FROM HUME

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE BUTZ

REF: TOFAS 92

1. SECRETARY BUTZ PLANS ARRIVE BELGRADE
AFTERNOON FRI, NOV 21 ON USG PLANE FROM TEL AVIV. DEPART
BELGRADE AFTERNOON SUN., NOV 23 ON USG PLANE TO BUCHAREST.
BREVITY OF VISIT AND WEEKEND TIMING REGRETTABLE BUT UNAVOIDABLE.

2. OFFICIAL PARTY WILL TOTAL THIRTEEN (13) INCLUDING MRS.
BUTZ AND MRS. HUME. REQUEST TWO-BEDDED DOUBLES FOR

BUTZES AND HUMES, SPNGLES FOR REMAINDER OF PARTY.

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3. SECRETARY BUTZ' PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE IS TO MEET PARTY AND GOVERNMENT POLICY MAKERS IN AGRICULTURE (BROADLY CONSTRUED, INCLUDING PROVISION OF INPUTS, PRODUCTION, AND UTILIZATION OF OUTPUTS), AND FOREIGN TRADE. OFFICE OF FEDERAL COMMITTEE FOR AGRICULTURE, FEDERAL SECRETARIAT FOR FOREIGN TRADE, FEDERAL ECONOMIC CHAMBER, AND FEDERAL DIRECTORATE FOR FOOD RESERVES ARE POSSIBILITIES. THE EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE FIRM RECOMMENDATIONS. VISITS TO AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES SHOULD BE MINIMIZED: PKB AND CORN INSTITUTE AT ZEMUN POLJE ARE POSSIBILITIES. MUSTY MUSEUMS ARE OUT.

4. SPECIFIC PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: NOV 21: ARRIVE BELGRADE LATE AFTERNOON. RECEPTION OR DINNER HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR SILBERMAN OR KUSTRAK. NOV 22: BREEAKFAST WITH AMBASSADOR SILBERMAN: PRINCIPALS ONLY. EMBASSY BRIEFPNG, INCLUDING VISIT TO OFFICE OF AGATTACHE. MEETINGS WITH YUGOSLAV LEADERS. VISIT TO CORN INSTITUTE. DINNER OR RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE AMBASSADOR OR KUSTRAK. NOV 23: VISIT PKB. DEPART BELGRADE FOR BUCHAREST AT 1600 HOURS. (NOTE: THE FOREGOING ARE ONLY SUGGESTIONS BASED ON OUR INCOMPLETE KNOWLEDGE. WE REALISE THE YUGOSLAVS WILL TRY TO STRETCH EACH DAY TO 36 HOURS. WE WILL

BE GUIDED BY EMBASSY ADVICE.)

5. SEPARATE PROGRAM FOR THE LADIES WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AND APPRECIATED.

6. THE YUGOSLAVS' PROBABLE DISMAY WITH THE SECRETARY'S BRIEF VISIT WILL BE UNDERSTANDABLE. SECRETARY BUTZ HAS ALREADY EXPERIENCED PERSONALLY THE REACTIONS OF THE ROMANIAN AND POLISH MINISTERS OF AGRICULTURE, NONETHELESS, EACH COUNTRY IS BEING ACCORDED EQUAL TREATMENT, AND HIS SCHEDULE SIMPLY WILL NOT PERMIT VISITS OF THE LENGTH HE AND HIS HOSTS WOULD LIKE.

7. WILL PROVIDE NAMES AND TITLES OF MEMBERS OF SECRETARY'S PARTY, FLIGHT TIMES, AND OTHER DATA AS INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED. KISSINGER

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